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5 Entitled: THE USE OF CASEIN PEPTIDES FOR TREATING HYPERTENSION

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to the use in the preparation of medicines having activity of the antihypertensive type, useful for treating or preventing hypertension, of one or more peptides having inhibiting activity on ACE with IC₅₀ values of the order of or less than 60 µM, selected from the group of peptides having the following amino acid sequences:

Thr-Val-Tyr (SEQ ID No.: 1)

Asn-Met-Ala-Ile-Asn-Pro-Ser-Lys (SEQ ID No.: 2)

Phe-Ala-Leu-Pro-Gln-Tyr (SEQ ID No.: 3)

Phe-Pro-Gln-Tyr-Leu-Gln-Tyr (SEQ ID No.: 4)

Phe-Ala-Leu-Pro-Gln-Tyr-Leu-Lys (SEQ ID No.: 5)

Asn-Met-Ala-Ile-Asn-Pro (SEQ ID No.: 6)

Phe-Ala-Leu-Pro (SEQ ID No.: 7).

The invention also relates to a pharmaceutical composition containing as its active principle an effective quantity of one or more of the above-cited peptides in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle. The invention also relates to a food product, in particular suitable for supplementing the

diet of people subject to hypertension or seeking to prevent the appearance thereof, containing an effective quantity of one or more of the above-cited peptides, in combination with food supports, in particular proteins, lipids, or carbohydrates. Such a food product may also include at least one of the peptides having the following amino acid sequences:

Ala-Leu-Asn-Glu-Ile-Asn-Gln-Phe-Tyr-Gln-Lys (SEQ ID No.: 8)

Ala-Leu-Asn-Glu-Ile-Asn-Gln-Phe-Tyr (SEQ ID No.: 9)
Tyr-Leu (SEQ ID No.: 10).